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ROBBED AND STABBED.

Negro Footpads.

Eugene Meigs, a tinner, living with his

mother at No. 3167 Pine street, was assault-

ed and seriously wounded by two negro

highwaymen early yesterday morning. He

PAINTER ATTEMPTS SUICIDE.

Ill-Health and Lack of Work the

Motive.

Harry Townsend, a painter 33 years old,

attempted suicide in his room at No. 1116

Locust street, yesterday morning, by taking

a dose of morphine. Despondency over ill

MRS. SCUDDER'S DEATH.

Estimable St. Louisan Passes

Away at Oconomowoc.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary A. Scudder of

Oconomowoc, Wis., yesterday forenoon, will

take place to-morrow afternoon at 2:30

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CHARITY BAZAARS CRITICISED.

Rabbi Denounced the Spirit of Eugene Meigs Seriously Injured by Vanity Among Workers.

Chicago, June 13 .- The National Confer-

ence of Jewish Charities to-day elected the following officers, to serve two years: President, Max Senior, Chicago; vice presidenta, Mrs. S. Piske of Denver and I. S. Isaacs of New York; secretary, Miss Hannah Marks, Cincinnati. Members of the Executive Committee were elected as follows: Julian Mack of Chicago, Doctor I. L. Leucht of New Orleans, Doctor H. J. Messing of St. Louis, Max Herzberg of Philadsiphia and Meyer H. Levy of San Francisco.

Rabbi Edward Calisch of Richmond, Va., delivered an address before adjournment strongly denouncing the practice of giving sumptious charity bails, hanquets, fair brigants and similar entertainments.

He criticised wealthy persons who "join in charity work with a view of gratifying their own vanity in seeking to be known as leaders in philanthropic work." ident, Max Senior, Chicago; vice presidents,

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CREDIT MEN BALLOT. St. Louisan on the National Board of Directors.

a dose of morphine. Despondency over ill health and his inability to find employment are the causes for his attempt at self destruction.

Townsend took the poison about 6 o'clock and locked himself in his room. He was not discovered until a boarder who happened to pass before his door heard deep breathing and reported the matter to the landlady. Townsend was found in an unconscious condition. An ambulance was called and he was taken to the City Dispensary, where Doctor Vogel applied the stomach pump and removed the drug from his stomach. Restoratives were applied and he was forwarded to the City Hospital.

Townsend came to St. Louis a few weeks ago from St. Joseph, Mo. Failing to find employment as a painter he went to work as a blacksmith. Milwaukee, Wis., June 13.-Committee reports were considered at to-day's meet-ing of the National Association of Creditmen. Resolutions were adopted, calling attention to the need of uniform insolvency laws and indorsing the bill now pending in Congress amending the bankruptcy act, and known as the "Ray bill." A bill introduced in Congress by Senator C. K. Davis to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States, is also indorsed with a slight amendment. The Nominating Committee made its report, calling for the re-election of President John Field of Philadelphia and Vice President Frederick Standar of Denver and full Board of Directors, including F. A. Pall, Denver; A. G. Bennett, Chicago; W. H. Preston, Sioux City, Ia.; C. S. Foster, New Orleans; W. H. Taylor, Kansas City; W. M. Burgess, Omaha; Richard Hanlon, Bt. Louis; A. J. Wold, New Orleans. men. Resolutions were adopted, calling at-

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DEATHBED SIGNATURE.

Sensational Story Regarding the the Cuban Postal Frauds.

Havana, June 18.—The Post this morning publishes a sensational story cannected with the postal frauds. It says that it has an attested communication from Fred Spencer, the hospital nurse who attended Inspector Maynard during his last illness, alleging that the patient was called upon by two postal officials, who persuaded him, when he was in a semiconscious state, to sign important documents. The next day the patient died.

Spencer expresses the belief that the se-

the patient died.

Spencer expresses the belief that the securing of the signature must have been a very important matter, as two men holding such positions as those held by the callers would not have risked contracting yellow fever for any light reasons. Spencer, the paper announces, gives the names of the men in question, but the Post does not publish them, simply saying that both are prominently connected with the postal frauds.

The Best Prescription for Maluria Chills and Fever is a bottle of Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It is simply iron and quintes in a tasteless form. No cure—no pay. Price 50c.

SHOT BY ROBBERS.

Saloonkeeper Bowman, Although Wounded, Pursued Them.

Two masked men entered the saloon of Clarence Bowman at High and O'Fallon street, at 12 o'clock last night and attempted to hold up the proprietor, who was tending bar. They ordered him to hold up his hands, instead of which Bowman reached for his revolver.

One of the masked men fired at him, inflicting a slight scalp wound. The bullet glanced and shattered the mirror back of the bar.

After the shooting both the realthers ded. After the shooting both the robbers fied. Bowman gave chase, firing several shots after the fugitives. He believes one of the men was hit, as he heard a cry. Neither of the men was overtaken.

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CITY ITEMS.

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CITY WILL LOSE NOTHING.

LIGHTING CONTRACT

HANGS IN BALANCE.

Kern Company Does Nothing to

Prevent Revocation by Board

of Public Improvements.

Former Bidders May Incorporate Under the Missouri Laws and Secure the Contract at the Old Figure.

The contract of the Kern Incandescent Gas Light Company for lighting the residence district with incandescent lamps probably will be forfeited by the Board of Public Improvements next Tuesday. A new letting in this event, will be immed-iately advertised and in about two weeks from the date of declaring a forfeiture of the Kern company's contract new bids will be opened and a new contract awarded.

According to Chairman Hermann of the Special Committee on City Lighting, he has good reason to believe that the city will lose nothing by the expected forfeiture of the Kern company's contract. He says that when the matter is clearly understood it will be seen that the Kern people are not so much to blame for failure to carry out its contract with the city as has been thought.

highwaymen early yesterday morning. He may die of his wound, though the doctors at the City Hospital, where he is being treated, have hope of his recovery.

Meigs was walking in Broadway at the intersection of Mound street, about 12:20 o'clock, when he was confronted by two negroes who came around the corner just in front of him. They ordered him to hold up his hands, and as one of them flourished a big knife he obeyed the command. While one of them stood guard the other searched Meigs's pockets, taking \$5.00. Finding no more money, the negro ordered Meigs to take off his coat. He did so and the negro took it.

As the pegrees were about to leave Meigs The city officers in charge of the city lighting believe the Kern Incandescent Gas Light Company will be in the field for a new contract if the present contract is forfelted. It is believed that the men who compose the company will organize a new company to be incorporated under the laws of Missouri and qualified to do business in

took it.

As the negroes were about to leave Meigs struck at one of them and the negro with the knife stabbed him twice, once in the left side of the back and again in the left side of the abdomen. They then made their escape. Two citizens who passed a few minutes afterwards found Meigs lying on the stdewalk and notified the police. An ambulance was called and he was taken to the North End Dispensary, where his injuries were temporarily dressed and he was forwarded to the City Hospital.

Meigs is 41 years old and married. It is predicted about the City Hall that the newly organized company will make the same bid for the city lighting contract that the Kern people made, \$23 per mantle lamp per year, for the reason that the Kern Company's the National Surety Company of New York, is responsible for the difference, if any, between the cost under its present contract and the cost under a new contract.

Mr. Hermann, chairman of the Committee

on Lighting, said yesterday: "The Kern Incandescent Gas Light Com "The Kern Incandescent Gas Light Company made its contract, apparently in good fatth. The injunction suit filed by Hogan against the company and the city gave the city the power to take possession of the Kern Company's plant and lamps, if the suit was decided against them.

"Naturally, the company became alarmed, and, pending a thorough investigation of the matter, decided it would be good business policy not to ship any more material to this city. Fearing the result of the litigation pending against it, it determined to

gation pending against it, it determined to let the board declare a breach of its contract. In the meantime the company is preparing to reincorporate under the laws of Missouri and to bid again for the city lighting at the same price. If they should be successful there would be no loss to the city on the contract, hence the Kern com-pany's surety, the National Surety Company, would have nothing to pay. The liti-gation against the Kern Company as re-incorporated would not stand, and a very perplexing and complicating question would be eliminated from the lighting situation. be eliminated from the lighting situation.

"In the event that the new contractor should not be able to begin lighting the city by September 1, the Kern company and its surety would be liable for any damage to the city on that account up to \$250,000, the amount of its bond. If the Kern company should not follow out the course outlined, there is a risk of the contract going to another firm at a bid so much highing to another firm at a bid so much higher than its former bid that it will be liable for loss to the city to the full extent of its bond for \$200,000. I do not expect that the Kern company will make any effort to prevent the board from declaring a breach of its contract."

President McMath of the Board of Public Improvements stated that no word has been received from the Kern Company since the formal notice was mailed to the New York office.

"We have thought it wise," he said, "to give the company ten days from the date the notice was received. That will give them until the evening of June 18. On the following day, Tuesday, the board will meet and take final action in the matter."

take place to-morrow afternoon at 2:20 o'clock from the family residence. It will be private. The burial will be in the family lot at Bellefontaine Cemetery.

Mrs. Scudder was the wife of John A. Scudder of this city. Over a year ago she suffered a stroke of paralysis, and since that time has been an invalid. Several weeks ago she went to Oconomowoc, in the hope that the change would have a beneficial effect upon her health. At first she seemed to improve, but later grew worse. Her death, however, was not expected so suddenly, and will be a great shock to her friends.

Mrs. Scudder was 66 years old. Four children, two sons and two daughters, survive her.

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MUSIC TEACHERS' MEETING.

Carbolic Acid.

Lucy Crowder, the 15-year-old daughter of Mrs. Martha Crowder, a cook at the Lutheran Hospital at No. 2590 Ohio avenue, died Tuesday noon from the effects of a dose of carbolic acid taken in the morning.

Mrs. Crowder found her daughter writhing in pain in bed about 8 o'clock in the morning. On a chair beside the bed was a small vial, which had contained carbolic acid. It was plainly labeled "Polson." Doctor Henry Schulz, the hospital physician, was summoned. He siphoned Lucy's stomach and applied an antidote. She regained consciousness long enough to say to ber mother that she had taken the polson because she wanted to die. Beyond this statement she gave no explanation of her desire to die. A few minutes later she relapsed into unconsciousness, from which she did not awaken.

No note was found about her room, and Mrs. Crowder can assign no reason why her daughter should have taken her life.

Deputy Coroner Gast, who lives near the hospital, was notified, and returned a verdict of suicide. Lucy was employed about the hospital as a nurse. It is supposed she committed suicide because she was not contented with her station in life. Proceedings of the Convention at Columbia. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Columbia, Mo., June 13.-The Missouri Federation of Music Teachers had a large increase in attendance to-day. Addresse were made by the different officers. W. L. Calhoun of Carthage, Mo., read an essay on "Comparative Planoforte Technics." A planoforte and song recital followed. Miss Ida Bimmons of Kansas City, played, and Miss Agnes Potring of St. Louis song. In the afternoon Horace P. Dibble of St. Louis gave a lecture recital entitled "Good Voice or Good Singer." Charles Kaub and O. A. Moll of St. Louis rendered a sonata for violin and piano. Others, who took part in the programme were: W. H. Pommer, Mrs. A. D. Cooper, A. Henneman, Miss Tillie Cornet, all of St. Louis; Charles D. Neff, Trenton; Mrs. A. D. Cooper, of St. Louis; Trenton; Mrs. A. D. Cooper, St. Louis; Mrs. J. S. Stanley, Kansas City; W. A. Graeper, St. Louis; Miss Edui Kunkel, St. Louis; Mrs. J. S. Stanley, Kansas City; W. A. Graeper, St. Louis; Misses Luiu Kunkel, St. Louis; Mrs. W. D. Steele, Sedalia, Mo.; B. W. Fitch, St. Louis; Misses Mamie Hartman and Houx of Warrensburg, Mo. Calhoun of Carthage, Mo., read an essay

As White as a Sheet. That's your color when you cuffer with anaemia. Pink like a carnation is what you'll be after taking Red Circle Pills for

HER WORK ALMOST FINISHED. Sister Mary Broughton Has Proved

an Efficient Enumerator. Sister Mary Broughton, the nun who was appointed census enumerator of the St. Vin-cent's Insane Asylum, on the St. Charlez Rock road, St. Louis County, one of the largest of its kind in this country, has proved efficient in her duties. Otto Hirzel, proved efficient in her duties. Otto Hirzel, one of the census inspectors in the Tenth District, visited St. Vincent's Tuesday and found her work nearly completed. The indications were that it would be entirely done by to-day.

The appointment of Sister Broughton caused considerable comment at the time, it being perhaps the only instance on record of a nun serving in this capacity.

FORCED WIFE TO SUICIDE.

Woman Compelled to Swallow a Poisonous Solution.

South McAlester, I. T., June 13.—Myron Clarke, who conducts a dairy near the mining camp of Halleyville, becoming suddenly insane, drove his children away from the house and then prepared a Jone of strychnine and forced his wife at the point of a revolver to swallow the poison. He stood over the writhing body with his weapon, and prevented any assistance being siven her, keeping every one at hay until the woman died.

After the tragedy, Clarke disappeared.

FIFTY THOUSAND PLAYED AND SANG TO HIS CHILDREN.

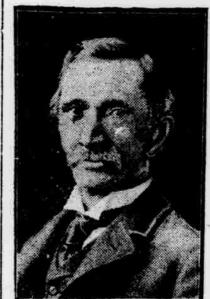
David Block Gives Each Five Thousand Dollars in Bonds on His Own Birthday.

SURPRISE TO ALL OF THEM.

Member of the Merchants' Exchange, in His Seventy-Third Year, Believes in Distributing His Wealth.

David Block of No. 1855 West Pine street celebrated his seventy-second birthday last Tuesday evening by presenting to each of his ten children \$5,000 in Government bonds, making his total gift \$59,000.

Mr. Block is well known in this city, be ing a member of the Merchants' Exchange and formerly president of the firm of Block & Co., grain dealers. In his advancing years he believes in distributing his wealth, and these who know him best say that his chil-



DAVID BLOCK.

iren are not his only beneficiaries. Many worthy charities are aided by him, but of these acts of kindness the generous bene factor modestly declines to talk.

Mr. Block was born in Austria in 1825 He came to America in 1845, settled in Chester, Ill., and entered the grocery business In Chester he was married. Several years later he sold out his business and went to Chicago, where he remained for several years. He came to St. Louis in 1869, entering the grain business. Some time afterwards he organized the firm known as Block, Dean & Co., which had its offices in the Chamber of Commerce. Later the firm was changed to David Block & Co., and was conducted under this name until July 1, 1899, when Mr. Block retired from busi-

Mr. Block has ten children-seven girls Mr. Ellock has ten children—seven girls and three boys. Last week he expressed a desire to celebrate his seventy-second birth-day by a reunion of his immediate family. The affair passed off as if it were nothing out of the ordinary until after dinner, when Mr. Block called his children to-gether for "a little talk." Money talks, as Mr. Block well knew,

so he just produced Government bonds to the extent of \$50,000, parceled the lot into little talks of \$5,000 each, and, before his amazed children could recover from their surprise, ended the interview by giving each a tithe of the total "talk."

As for himself, he afterwards announced The three sons of the family are all in

ther clerk and part owner of the steame Cherokee, and a third clerk in a large re-tail establishment in the city.

A reporter for The Republic saw Mr.

Block last night,
"Oh, I'm getting old," sa'd the happy fa-ther of ten doubly happy children, "and I fust thought I'd make a little present to the young ones. That's all there was to

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NEW HOME PROPOSITION.

Mass Meeting of the Young Men's

Hebrew Association. Young Men's Hebrew Association was held last night at the association's headquarters, No. 2787 Locust street. The meeting was presided over by S. J. Russack, and was called for the purpose of deciding the ques-tion of building or leasing a new association tion of building or leasing a new association home. The meeting was addressed at length by Abe Resenthal, who suggested forming a stock company, giving preierence to members of the association, and after raising \$19.00, to solicit subscriptions from business men and others, making a total of \$20.00, and to then select plans and a building site. Mr. Rosenthal also submitted plans for a building to cost in the neighborhood of \$3,00, which embraced a large gymnasium and entertainment hall.

A vote was taken of the members present, about 100, to decide whether it was the wish of the majority to acquire a new home. The members declared, aimost unanimously, in favor of taking some action in the matter. Mr. Rosenthal moved that a committee of eleven he appointed to perfect plans and be given full power to act, and to report to the association monthly. The meeting was then adjourned.

Prescription No. 2851, by Eimer & Amend, will not cure all complaints, but it will cure

TINNER SHOWED FIGHT.

Knocked Down and Robbed by Negroes, Who Escaped.

Eugene Meigs, a tinner, living at No. 3007 Pine street, was taken to the City Hospital yesterday morning at an early hour by Of-ficer Martin of the Fifth District, who found him lying at the corner of Broadway and Mound street with a stab wound in his back. Meigs was in a precarious condition when found, but was taken to the North End Dispensary, where his wound

North End Dispensary, where his wound was treated by Doctor Peake. By the time he reached the hospital his condition had materially improved.

According to his story, he was walking home at a late hour, when he was attacked by two negroes, who ran up behind him and attempted to rob him. Meigs showed fight, but was knocked to the ground. He was stabbed in the back as he fell by one of the negroes. They tore his coat to reach his pocket better, and robbed him of \$10 as he hay on the ground. Meigs became unconscious during the assault, and says that he could not recognize his assailants. He is married, and lives with his wife at the home of his mother at the Pine street address. He is 41 years of age.

TILL DEATH CAME.

William Wheeler Drank Poison and Then Sat Down to a Piano.

BROKEN RESOLUTIONS.

Saved Money and Then Squandered It on a Spree-Sang "Ah! I Have Sighed to Rest Me" While Dying.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL, New York, June 12.-Many broken resolutions caused William Wheeler to poison himself at his residence, No. 191 Adams street. Brooklyn. He drank a large dose of carbolic acid last evening and died a few

His last moments were passed seated at the plane in the little parler of his boardouse, and his landlady and several of her boarders, seated in an adjoining room, heard him singing the words of "An! I have eighed to rest me," from "Il Trovatore," while his fingers felly straye? over the keys of the instrument in accompaniment.

Wheeler was a telegraph operator, and had been employed in Dick Bros,' office in Wall street during the daytime. He was born and lived for many years in Nova Scotia. His father is a hotelkeeper. He was married and had two children, but left his ome a year ago and come to this city. leaving his wife and children with his father. Being a good operator, he had no rouble in getting employment, and a few nonths ago got a night position with the Commercial Cable Company, working both day and night.

Wheeler had announced to his landlady that he was going to save his earnings and go to the Paris Exposition, and three weeks ago he exhibited \$200, which, he told her, he had saved. He had explained to her that he had left his home owing to his habit of drinking to excess, but he had apparently reformed, and for many months after mov to the Adams street house did not A month ago he returned to the house one

evening showing evidence of having been drinking, and his landlady lectured him in the morning, advising him to stop at once. He promised to do so, but a few days later, when he returned from a final spree, he told his landlady that he had used up the 200 he had saved for the Paris Exposition and that he had given up all idea of going. He seemed to feel very hadly and again promised to stop drinking, and to attend

strictly to business. He had been very straight during the last few days, and was perfectly sober when he entered the house last evening, shortly before 19 o'clock and sat down at the plano. He was a good musician and was passionately fond of music. He thrummed on the plane for a few minutes, apparently play-ing listlessly and then arese and went to his roam. Mr. Sanford, one of the boarders, passing his door, saw him emptying the contents of a bottle into a glass and asked

him if he was sick.
"Yes," answered Wheeler, "but these "Yes," answered Wheeler, "but these drops will set me straight."

Then he returned to the parlor, and again took his seat at the plano. He began to play, "Ah! I have eighed to rest me," singling it quietly. A few moments later the listeners heard a heavy fall, and, rushing into the parlor, found Wheeler lying stretched out on the floor, beside the over-turned plano stool. Assistance was summoned, and an ambulance from the Brooklyn City Hospital was called. Dector De Brulle, who responded, said that Wheeler was dead. was dead.

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Broadway, corner Locust. DEWEY RECEPTION FUND.

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tributors.

The Dewey Reception Executive Commit tee held its final meeting yesterday and adurned sine die. There were present Chairjourned sine die. There were present Chairman C. P. Walbridge, E. E. Souther, W. J. Kinselia, J. E. Smith, Edward Devoy, John Schroers, Walker Hill, Elias Michael, B. J. Strauss, L. D. Kingsland, Frank Gatennie, George D. Reynolds, W. H. Thomson, H. T. Mott and Secretary James Cox.
Walker Hill, treasurer, and W. J. Kinselia, chairman of the Finance Committee, presented financial statements, It was found that after the payment of all expenses in connection with the reception there remained a sufficient balance on hand to refund subscribers 20 per cent of the smount contributed. A motion prevailed thanking Mr. Kinselia for his able work as chairman of the committee and authorizing a refund as suggested. A circular will be issued at once to all subscribers notifying them that they will receive from the treasurer 20 per cent of the amount subscribed by them on presentation of the communication within thirty days. All rebates not collected within the time named, as well as a balance of about 46 above the 20 per cent, will be donated to the Hospital Saturday and Sunday Association.

Several members expressed satisfaction at the ability to make a refund. This is not actually the first case on record, but the precedents for a return of any portion of a public fund are few. A vote of thanks was also tendered the University Club for furnishing lunch to the Dewey party. man C. P. Walbridge, E. E. Souther, W. J.

BIG CITY DEFICIT CERTAIN.

Annual Appropriation Bill Now Under Consideration.

A meeting of the Ways and Means Committee, of which Councilman W. R. Hodges is chairman, will be held at 5 o'clock this afternoon to consider the annual appropria-

afternoon to consider the annual appropriation bill. City Comptroller Sturgeon, who has been giving a great deal of time to the consideration of this most important measure, will supply the Municipal Assembly with the necessary data.

"It is useless," he said, "for me to make an estimate at this time of the amount of money the city will need this year. Any estimates that may be arrived at by the gentlemen in charge of the different departments of the municipal government and myself will undoubtedly be greatly altered by the time the bill has passed through both houses of the Municipal Assembly. Of one thing I am certain: that there will be a big deficit any way we may contrive to economize and pinch. How we are going to meet this defict I don't know. The annual appropriation bill will give the Municipal Assembly more sieepiess nights this year than ever before in the history of the city. I anticipate a long and arduous struggle before it is finally passed."

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SHUT-DOWN ADVOCATED.

Missouri-Kansas Zinc Miners' Association's Letter.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Joplin, Mo., June 13 .- As a means of forcing the zinc smelters to pay better prices for ore, the Missouri and Kansas Zinc Min-

for ore, the Missouri and Kansas Zine Min-ers' Association has proposed a shut-down of all the mines in the Missouri-Kansas dis-trict, which produce about seven-eighths of the zinc ore mined in America. Twice last year shut-downs of the mines were found necessary in order to maintain prices, and, having accomplished the desired result then, the same plan is to be tried again, To-day the following letter was issued by the association to all mine owners in the district: To the Zinc Producers of the Missouri-Kansas District: After two weeks of careful investigation and

To the Zinc Producers of the Missouri-Kansas District:

After two weeks of careful investigation and mature deliberation, the directors of the Missouri and Kansas Zinc Minera' Association have unanimously decided that the best interests of the district require a shut-down, or a cessation from the production of zinc ore, until a more satisfactory condition prevails. In taking this step, we but voice the general sentiment of the operators, and we have assurances from some of the largest producers that the recommendation will have their heartlest support. It may be well to state that the success of this movement may prevent a reduction in wages, which will invariably follow present or lower prices for ore.

It has been intimated by some operators, through the press, that owners of good proporties who can make money at present prices should continue to run and let the lean mines only shut down. In our opinion, there is far more reason for the richer mines to shut down than any other. They have the properties which ought to not them reasonable fortunes and why should they sectifice their splendid apportunities for a more manufacturers' profit?

The combined action of all ore producers at this particular time, we predict, will result in making from \$5 to \$10 a ton. Some of the smelt-sections described and one

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"From \$2.50 to \$2.00 tons of Western spelter produced from Joplin ores have been shipped abroad a month during the last few months, as against practically rothing a year ago. A number of smelters have sold considerable metal for export for months shead. On the other hand, consumers in this country are hars stocks. The large trusts, especially, have restricted their purchases to the very lowest limit. Heavy short interests exist in spelter outside of the smelters themselves. All these parties have virtually continued with a view to breaking the ore prices in Joplin to \$25 or less for \$0 per cent ore. They will succeed in spite of the statistically favorable position of the spelter, unless your association shuts down for at least four weeks, which will result in one selling at \$35 for the remainder of the year.

There is no desire on the part of the producers to deprive the smelters of a fair and reasonable profit for each ton of ere smelted, but we are not satisfied that the smelters shall exact a profit of \$10 to \$12 a ton of ere. When they should be antiefied with one-hand of the inneant, There is no instituction, for the present low prices of ore, considering the price of the meant.

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WILLIAM JEWELL COLLEGE.

Graduating Exercises-Increase of Endowment Announced.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Liberty, Mo., June 13.—The exercises of the graduating class of William Jewell Collegs were held to-day. There were twenty-nine graduates. The degree of master of arts was conferred on Doctor B. C. Hyde arts was conferred on Doctor B. C. Hyde of Kaosas City and William E. Raffety of Argentine, Kas. President Green announced that \$13,000 had been added to the endowment of \$14,000 more piedged. The Board of Trustees elected the Reverend Doctor T. P. Stafford to the professorship of theology in the Bible department. Doctor Stafford was formerly pastor of the Baptist Church in Liberty. He is a graduate of William Jowell College and of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville. Ky. Professor S. E. Stoute of Shelldna was elected instructor of mathematics in the academic department.

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The exercises to-day were the most successful and most largely attended in the history of the college. Seven members of the graduating class were selected as speakers. They were: R. K. Kaily, Harry Burns, J. E. Dillard, D. J. Evans, D. C. Simrall, Albert Rowell and P. W. Stockdale. The degree of bachelor of arts was conferred on the following: Robert Roper Bishop, Liberty, Mo.; Wilfred Lea Baker, Salisbury, Mo.; Harry Foster Burns, Bolton, Mo.; Sidney Ward Brumfield, Eureka Springs, Ark.; Albert Davis Cooper, Henrietta, Mo.; Dawid Jones Evans, Liberty, Mo.; Allen Martin Ehrhardt, Salisbury, Mo.; Lewis Ceeli Gray, Liberty, Mo.; Lewis Ceeli Gray, Liberty, Mo.; Lawis Ceeli Gray, Liberty, Mo.; William Robert Holland, Frazier, Mo.; Richard Kelmingham Kelly, Mexico, Mo.; John Gaines Long, Richmond, Va.; Poleman Ernest Lowe, Auburn, Ky.; Morton Frank Marsh, Liberty, Mo.; Wallem Bunyan Netherton, Madelaine, Mo.; William Bunyan Netherton, Narborne, Mo.; William Bunyan Netherton, Narborne, Mo.; William Bunyan Netherton, Madelaine, Mo.; William Bunyan Netherton, Narborne, Mo.; William Bunyan Netherton, Madelaine, Mo.; William Bunyan Netherton, Springs, Mo.; Ernest John Roots, Maryville, Mo.; Parker William Albert Shelton, Slater, Mo.; Denny Coulter Simrali, Liberty, Mo.; Joslah Benjamin Sims, Enid, Mo.; Albert Westerday Professor H. G. Parkér of Liberty was elected president; the Reverend J. F. Herget of St. Louis, vice president; Professor T. M. Netherton of Liberty, secretary.

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gerbun Hall. The hall was nicely decorated with wild flowers and was completely filled by the friends and relatives of the graduates. An extensive programme was rendered by the students. It consisted of music and essays. A feature of the evening was the rendition of Scenes 1 and 2 of Act III of Shapespeare's "Julius Caesar," and a like production of "The Trial Scenes from the "Merchant of Venice." The graduates were twenty-four in number. Their names are: George Logan, Andrea Sasquinct, Clyde Crossman, Willie Broadhead, Ruth Harris, Andrew Shores, Walter Wengler. Arthur Schmid, Arthur Osborn, Lillie Crossman, Hazel Burkhardt, Otto Preiss, Edgar Beilville, Mittle Bellville, Adals Logan, Vivian Stevens, Roy Flah, George Roth, Archie Cummings, Fred Grampy, F. J. Fight, Iva Smith, Harry Wenglen, Leila Smith.

CENSUS WORK PROGRESSING.

Many Enumerators Have Already Completed Their Task.

Only two more days remain of the time alloted census enumerators to gather statistics for their final reports. Yesterday Supervisor Higgins said that most of the enumerators would be up on their work by Friday evening. He said that more than sixty of the 47 had nearly completed their work, and were perfecting their schedules. Yesterday the office was crowded with men and women doing this kind of work, and Mr. Higgins expects at least 200 more in to-day.

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Practically no difficulty has been experienced by the enumerators in gathering their information. The work has gone along smoothly from the first, and citizens in general have appeared anxious to help the enumerators in every way possible. Mr. Higgins says the quality of the work so far turned in is excellent. But few corrections were necessary, and the figuring and writing were all neatly done. The first of the schedules will be sent on to Washington the day after the enumeration time has expired.

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